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7. Process for preventing the risk of spontaneous ignition of an atmosphere of an environment selected from the group consisting of again silo, a center for storing coal dust, industrial dust, animal or plant flours or fertilizers, driftways and fuel optionally incorporated in a vehicle,

wherein the atmosphere being approximately at ambient temperature, the induction time before spontaneous ignition and/or explosion is determined through a measurement of the initial temperature of the atmosphere.

8. Process according to claim 1, wherein the ambient temperature variation over time is measured.

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